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Assistant Director for Research and Reports

5 March 1958

Chief, Materials Division, ORR

Report for the Month of February 1958

1. Accomplishments:

A. Scheduled Reports and Contributions

1. M/AG contribution to ORR Project No. 20.1768, Regional Civil Consumption of Petroleum in the USSR, was submitted to M/FP.
2. M/CH contribution to ORR Project No. 10.1510, Chinese Communist Capabilities and Probable Courses of Action through 1962, was updated and forwarded to A/F.
3. ORR Project No. 20.1822, NIS 20, Albania, Section-63, Minerals and Metals, was forwarded from M/FM to OBI.
4. ORR Project No. 23.1571, Sino-Soviet Bloc Foreign Trade in Raw Materials and Products of the Ferrous Metallurgical Industry, was updated and forwarded to St/PR.
5. M/FM contribution to ORR Project No. 20.1523, NIS 14, Poland, Section-63, Minerals and Metals, was forwarded to M/NF.
6. ORR Project No. 20.1522, NIS 14, Poland, Section-62, Fuels and Power, was forwarded from M/FP to D/M for preliminary review.
7. ORR Project No. 28.2079, Supplement to Intra-Sino-Soviet Bloc Trade in Petroleum (CIA/RR 127) was completed and forwarded to St/PR.

B. Support Projects

1. M/AG revised ORR Project No. 21.2050, Major Developments in Soviet Agriculture in 1957 and Prospects for the Future.

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2. Pertinent Branches contributed to Project No. 00.2067, Briefing Handbook of Selected Economic Data and Project 00.1978, Assessment of Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) as an Intelligence Source.

3. S-260, Estimates of Production of Specific Commodities in Sino-Soviet Bloc 1957 and 1958, requested by the Department of the Army.

4. S-261, Status of Chinese PGI Program, requested by CBS.

5. Evaluation of preliminary ECE Energy Study on Europe.

6. CSM on prediction of 2-year lag in industrial development program of eastern regions of USSR.

7. CSM on further reduction of the Soviet nuclear power program.

8. CSM on significance of recent Bloc exports of tin and aluminum.

C. Other Support Activities

1. Prepared and coordinated several items with CBS for OCI publication.

2. Completed and forwarded 2 contributions to MR/P support project 30.2044, Guided Missile Intelligence Collection Support.

3. Position paper on Sino-Soviet Bloc supply of nickel for COCOM.

4. Support paper to [REDACTED] providing guidance for discussions with case officers.

5. Support to IAC ad hoc Committee on Exchange Delegations regarding US-USSR exchange on oil-shale.

6. Memo to S/TD on diamonds in the USSR.

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7. Memo to Ch/E on Chilean Copper Sales to the Sino-Soviet Bloc.

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9. Messrs. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], M/AG, met with [REDACTED] 25X1A9a

10. M/CH completed and forwarded to EEC Secretariat a statement of EEC Subcommittee on Chemicals regarding "Priority Chemical Research Deficiencies."

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11. [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], and [REDACTED] participated in a briefing of [REDACTED] 25X1A9a 25X1X7

25X1X7 [REDACTED] concerning OMR's research on the Soviet Atomic Energy Program. 25X1X7

2. Program:

A. All branches are planning FY 1959 research programs.

B. OMR Project No. 23.1570, The Ferrous Metallurgical Industry of Poland, is to be cancelled. Time spent on this project will be charged to Project No. 20.1523, MIS 14, Poland, Section-63, Minerals and Metals.

C. An external research project on Establishing Economic Criteria for the Adoption of Nuclear Power Plants has been approved. It required 5 1/2 months to secure approval after receipt of the proposal from the outside contractor.

3. Administration:

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M/PM, visited New York to attend the 1958 annual meeting of the American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical and Petroleum Engineers.

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25X1A9a C. [REDACTED], Chief D/M, and [REDACTED], Chief M/NP, attended a special OTR Management Course for OMR personnel.

25X1A9a D. [REDACTED], formerly of FDB, joined the Agency, and has been assigned to M/NP.

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